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Permit No. WA0039861

Issuance Date: August 7, 2006
Effective Date: September 1, 2006
Expiration Date: June 30, 2011

NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT

State of Washington
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
Olympia, Washington 98504-8711

In compliance with the provisions of
The State of Washington Water Pollution Control Law
Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington
and
The Federal Water Pollution Control Act
(The Clean Water Act)
Title 33 United States Code, Section 1251 et seq.

**Cowlitz County Hall of Justice
312 Southwest First Avenue
Kelso, WA 98626-1734**

Facility Location:
312 Southwest First Avenue
Kelso, WA 98626-1734

Receiving Water:
Cowlitz River

Industry Type:
Not Classified

Discharge Location:
Latitude: 46° 08' 35" N
Longitude: 122° 55' 00" W

is authorized to discharge, beginning on the effective date of this permit and lasting through the expiration date and subject to the General Conditions which follow, effluent from the ground water heat pump system used to heat and cool the Cowlitz County Hall of Justice building. A mixing zone within the receiving water defined by a length extending 100 feet upstream and 300 feet downstream of the discharge point and a width extending to 25 percent of the river width, as measured from the bank at the discharge point in which state water quality criteria may be exceeded, is also hereby authorized in accordance with the provisions of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-201A-100.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS

G1. DISCHARGE VIOLATIONS

All discharges and activities authorized by this permit shall be consistent with the terms of this permit.

G2. RIGHT OF ENTRY

The Permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the Department, upon the presentation of credentials and such other documents as may be required by to enter upon the premises where a discharge is located and to sample at reasonable times any discharge of pollutants.

G3. PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

The Permittee shall submit a new application or supplement to the previous application where facility expansions, production increases, or process modifications will (1) result in new or substantially increased discharges of pollutants or a change in the nature of the discharge of pollutants, or (2) violate the terms and conditions of this permit.

G4. PERMIT MODIFIED OR REVOKED

After notice and opportunity for public hearing, this permit may be modified, terminated, or revoked during its term for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

- A. Violation of any terms or conditions of the permit;
- B. Failure of the Permittee to disclose fully all relevant facts or misrepresentations of any relevant facts by the Permittee during the permit issuance process;
- C. A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or a permanent reduction or elimination of any discharge controlled by the permit;
- D. Information indicating that the permitted discharge poses a threat to human health or welfare;
- E. A change in ownership or control of the source; or
- F. Other causes listed in 40 CFR 122.62 and 122.64.

Permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination may be initiated by the Department or requested by any interested person.

G5. REPORTING A CAUSE FOR MODIFICATION

A Permittee who knows or has reason to believe that any activity has occurred or will occur which would constitute cause for modification or revocation and reissuance under Condition G4. or 40 CFR 122.62 must report such plans, or such information, to the Department so that a decision can be made on whether action to modify or revoke and reissue a permit will be required. The Department may then require submission of a new application. Submission of such application does not relieve the Permittee of the duty to comply with the existing permit until it is modified or reissued.

G6. TOXIC POLLUTANTS

If any applicable toxic effluent standard or prohibition (including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition) is established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for a toxic pollutant and that standard or prohibition is more stringent than any limitation upon such pollutant in the permit, the Department shall institute proceedings to modify or revoke and reissue the permit to conform to the new toxic effluent standard or prohibition.

G7. PLAN REVIEW REQUIRED

Prior to constructing or modifying any wastewater control facilities, including outfalls, detailed plans shall be submitted to the Department for approval in accordance with Chapter 173-240 WAC. Facilities shall be constructed and operated in accordance with the approved plan.

G8. OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF 40 CFR

All other applicable requirements of 40 CFR 122.41 and 122.42 are incorporated in this permit by reference.

G9. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS AND STATUTES

Nothing in the permit shall be construed as excusing the Permittee from compliance with any applicable federal, state, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

G11. ADDITIONAL MONITORING

The Department may establish specific monitoring requirements in addition to those contained in this permit by administrative order or permit modification.

G12. REVOCATION FOR NONPAYMENT OF FEES

The Department may revoke this permit if the permit fees established under Chapter 173-224 WAC are not paid.

G13. REMOVED SUBSTANCES

Collected screenings, grit, solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters shall not be resuspended or reintroduced to state waters.

G14. DUTY TO REAPPLY

The Permittee must reapply, for permit renewal no later than **January 1, 2010**.